TECC Innovation Ecosystem Advisory Board Meeting #4

Monday, Aug 10th, 2026 | 2:00 – 3:00 pm

TRIBAL ENERGY & CLIMATE COLLABORATIVE

Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association

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Welcome

Purpose

1. Provide strategic guidance as we launch and grow the Innovation Ecosystem.
2. Create a forum that brings together SCTCA member Tribes, the external advisory board, and the TECC Expert Network.

Meeting Norms & Reminders

- Video on (if bandwidth allows)
- Casual and collaborative
    - Utilize the raised hand or chat box, or just speak up
- Reference Advisory Board Charter for conflict of interest and confidentiality guidelines

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Advisory Board Charter
TECC Innovation Ecosystem

May 1, 2026

Effective Dates

Charter is effective May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027.

Vision and Purpose

The Tribal Energy and Climate Collaborative's (TECC) Innovation Ecosystem aims to:

1. Rapidly advance the development of clean energy and climate businesses and technologies by leveraging the interests, strengths, and resources of member Tribes.
2. Transform the Southern California Tribal region into a magnet for innovation-based economic development through a complementary portfolio of companies and partnerships.
3. Strengthen the economic resiliency and prosperity of the Tribes.

The Advisory Board was established to support and advance this vision.

Roles and Responsibilities

Advisory Board members are selected to provide strategic guidance and subject-matter expertise in support of the Innovation Ecosystem.

Members are expected to serve a one-year term and participate in monthly virtual meetings.

Authority and Limitations

The Advisory Board is advisory in nature and does not have governing or decision-making authority.

All recommendations and advice are non-binding.

Advisory Board members do not have fiduciary duties.

Meetings

Meetings will be one hour in length and held monthly in a virtual format.

Agenda

- Introduce new attendees
- Recap meeting #3
- TECC summit highlights
- Near-term tactical focus
- Discussion:
    1. Seeking guidance on geothermal, wind, energy storage, and data centers as we begin initial market studies
- Wrap up and next steps

Introductions

Are there any community or staff members from SCTCA Tribes that are joining for the first time?

Meeting #3 Recap

Agenda / Discussion Topics

- Strategic focus: Increased resources towards Tribal requests for business development and due diligence services
- Innovation workspace programming and features in proposed community resilience center
- Feasibility study and partnership concepts

Key Takeaways

- Great feedback on designing co-working spaces, innovation hubs and economic development in general
- Good insight on how UCSD leverages their authority of jurisdiction to accelerate pilots

Other meeting highlights or action items that we should capture?

2026 TECC Summit

July 21-22, 2026 | Pala Casino Spa Resort

Innovation Ecosystem Highlights

- Good engagement with 8 member Tribes resulting in 8 new opportunities
- Increased program awareness, continued to build relationships, and deepened understanding of member Tribes' economic, workforce, and broader priorities

TECC Summit Highlights

39 Total attendees across both days

19 of TECC's 26 member Tribes represented

9 Roundtables hosted to support Tribal enrollment, input, and participation across TECC programming

8 Chairs attended

Near-term Tactical Focus

1. **Tribally led, screened, and general business development service requests**
   - Provide immediate value while we build out feasibility and market studies and align with Tribes on target opportunities and segments
2. **Continue to build out high-level Tribal assessments, feasibility studies, and relationships with Economic and Workforce Development teams**
3. **Narrow focus with startups and pilots to opportunities that fit Tribal priorities and provide broader economic and workforce development potential**
   - E.g.: factory-built housing, power generation and storage, and water security
4. **Begin preliminary market studies on segments that have Tribal interest: geothermal, energy storage, data centers, and wind**

   ➢ Who should we be talking to: experts, developers, or data sources you'd point us to?

   ➢ What should we consider from the onset?

Wrap Up and Next Steps

01

Key Takeaways

What we heard today that should shape our next moves

02

Action Items

Who owns what, and by when

03

Additional Feedback

Anything else the board would like to raise?

Next Advisory Board meeting: agenda and materials to follow.

Thank you!

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Backup

TECC Innovation Ecosystem

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Grant Scope:
Program Deliverables

Overview
- Deliverables-based budget
- Timeline: Nov '25 – Nov '27
- Funding: $1.93M

Key Takeaways
- Deliverables basis provides flexibility
- Significant funding on opportunity due diligence
- Funding to support additional grant writing to expand program

*Due Diligence Task Breakdown
T14: Screen and select
T15: Tier 0 assessment (prelim)
T17: Tier 1 tech / market due diligence
T18: Tier 2 technoeconomic analysis
T19: Investment diligence memo
T16: Present to Tribes

Category	Deliverable	Budget
Membership & Governance	Monthly Tribal Membership and Governance Board meetings (Task 1), Executive Board meetings (T2)	13%
Tribal Assessments and Relationship Building	High level member tribe assessments (T3), relationship building meetings (T4), and annual TECC summits (T7,8)	9%
Strategic Partners (external)	Strategic partnership meetings (T10), Monthly advisory board meetings (T5,6), quarterly partner meetings (T9)	7%
Strategy and Platform	Strategic plan (T11) and platform (T13)	3%
Opportunity Due Diligence	Identify, screen, and evaluate business opportunities (T14 – 19*)	37%
Workforce Development (WFD)	Strategic WFD meetings (T22), monthly workforce opportunities newsletter (T23) and training events (T24)	2.5%
Technical Assistance	400 hours of technical assistance and support to SCTCA Tribes (T20)	5%
Training	Quarterly webinar trainings (T21)	1.5%
Funding	Proposals to expand the TECC Innovation Ecosystem (T12)	9%
Admin	Various administrative tasks (T25 – 32)	13%

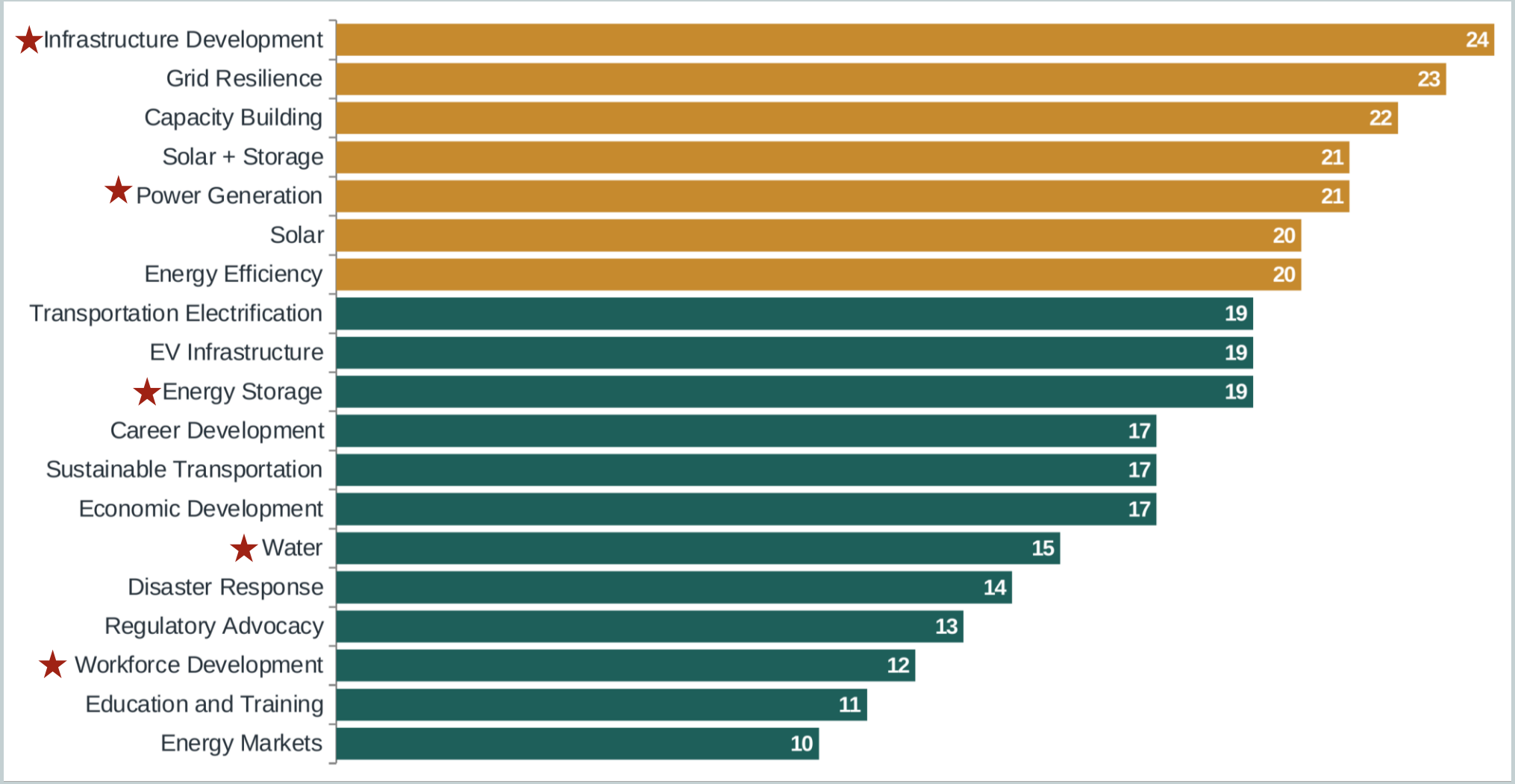
Are there any gaps in our grant scope needed to meet our mission?

Strategic Priorities (near-term)

1. **Build a high-quality opportunity network**
   - Partner with climate tech incubators and early-stage investors

2. **Develop TECC and Tribal-side readiness**
   - Refine understanding of Tribal priorities, capabilities, and constraints
   - Develop TECC expert network for opportunity due diligence
   - Focus on supporting due diligence for existing business opportunities

3. **Prove the model with early pilots**
   - Bring a diverse set of screened business opportunities to the Tribes
   - Focus on successful execution

4. **Expand the scope**
   - Collaborate with SCTCA member Tribes to evaluate market-aligned business opportunities in emerging sectors

Updated Tribal Priorities